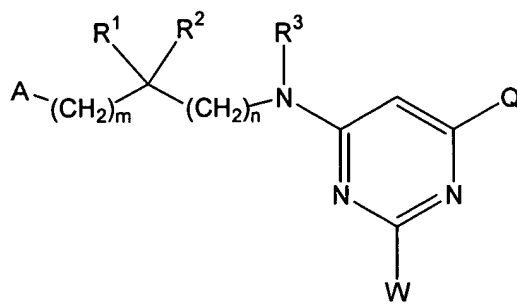


CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1-3. (canceled)

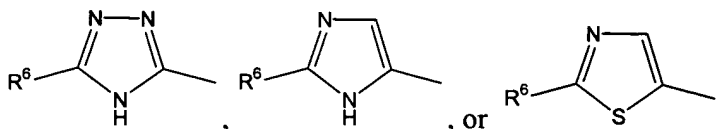
4. (currently amended) ~~A 4-pyrimidineamine according to claim 3 wherein~~ A compound of formula



wherein:

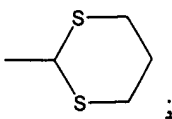
A is A¹ or A²;

A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-;



A² is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-;

Q is chosen from imidazolyl, methylimidazolyl, pyrrolyl, methylpyrrolyl, pyrazolyl, methylpyrazolyl, hydroxymethylimidazolyl, (dimethylaminomethyl)imidazolyl, furanyl, methylfuranyl, thienyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, pyridinyl, quinolinyl, 1-methylpyrimidin-2-onyl, phenyl, fluorophenyl, hydroxymethyl, tetrahydropyranyloxymethyl, imidazolylmethyl,

pyrrolylmethyl, -CH=N-OCH₃ and  ;

W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, -OR⁸, -SR⁸, -NR⁹R¹⁰ and -NHC(O)R¹¹, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R⁸;

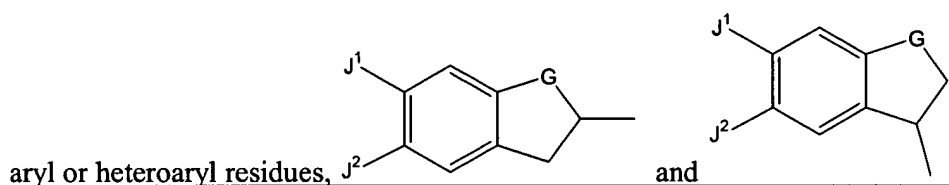
R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl,

(C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹²;

R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to three



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CH₂-, -O-, -N(lower alkyl)-, -N(lower alkyl)CH₂-, -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;

R⁶ is aryl;

R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;

R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or

R⁹ and R¹⁰ taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO₂ or NR¹², said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;

R^{11} is aryl;

R^{12} is chosen from H, C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

m is zero or one; and

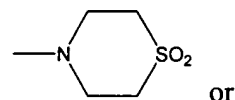
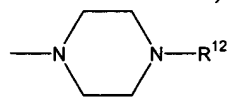
n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A^2 , m and n cannot both be zero.

5. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 4 wherein:

Q is chosen from pyrrol-1-yl, imidazol-1-yl, furan-3-yl, 2-methylimidazol-1-yl and 4-methylimidazol-1-yl;

A is $R^4R^5N-C(O)-$;

W is Cl, NHR^9 , $N(CH_3)R^9$, OR^8 , SR^8 , R^8 , morpholin-4-yl,



or

R^1 is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylaryl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylcycloalkyl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylheterocyclyl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylheteroaryl ;

R^2 , R^3 and R^5 are H;

R^8 is C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl

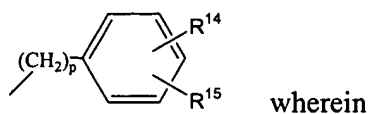
R^9 is chosen from hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, (C_1-C_4) -alkoxy, C_1 - C_4 -alkylcycloalkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, heterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl; and

m and n are zero.

6. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 5 wherein W is NHR^9 and

R^9 is chosen from hydrogen; methyl; ethyl; 2,2,2-trifluoroethyl; allyl; cyclopropyl; 2-cyanoethyl; propargyl; methoxy; methoxyethyl; cyclopropyl; cyclopropylmethyl; (methylthio)ethyl; 3-methoxypropyl; 3-pyridyl; 2-(3-pyridyl)ethyl; 2-(2-pyridyl)ethyl; 3-pyridylmethyl; 4-pyridylmethyl; 4-pyridylmethyl-N-oxide; 2-pyridazinylmethyl; sulfolan-3-yl; 3-tetrahydrofuranyl; 2-tetrahydrofuranylmethyl; 3-(1-imidazolyl)propyl; 1-*t*-

butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinyl; 1-*t*-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinylmethyl; 2-(hydroxyimino)propyl; 2-(methoxyimino)propyl; 2-oxo-1-propyl; and

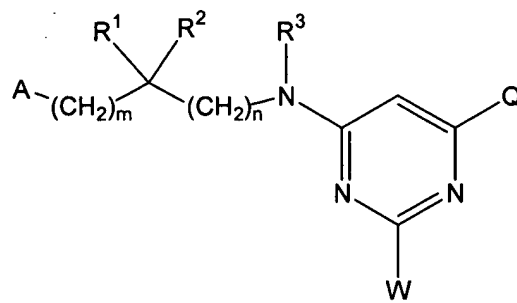


- R^{14} is chosen from H, Cl, F, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, OH, SO₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂ and COOH;
 R^{15} is chosen from H, OCH₃ and Cl; and
 p is 1 or 2.

7. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 5 wherein W is
 and
 R^{12} is *t*-butoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl or phenyl.



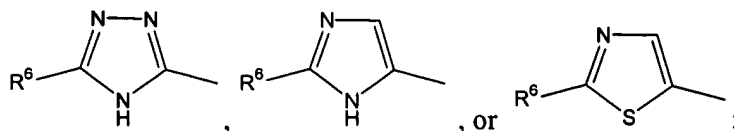
8. (currently amended) ~~A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 1 wherein~~ A compound of formula



wherein:

Z is CH₂;

A is



- R^1 is chosen from *n*-butyl; cyclohexylmethyl; cyclopentylmethyl; 2-methylpropyl; 3-methyl-1-butyl; cyclohexyl; 2,2-dimethylpropyl; benzyl; 2-thienylmethyl; 1-

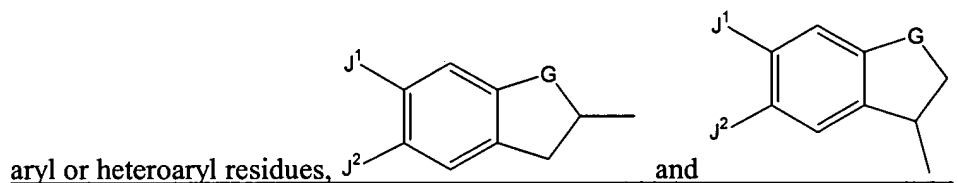
t-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinyl; 4-chlorobenzyl; 2-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranyl and 1,1-dimethylethyl;

R² and R³ are H;

Q is imidazolyl or pyrrolyl;

R⁶ is aryl;

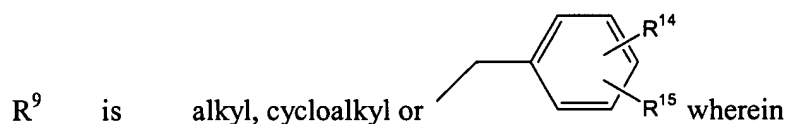
R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to three



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CH₂-, -O-, -N(lower alkyl)-, -N(lower alkyl)CH₂-, -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;

W is NHR⁹; and



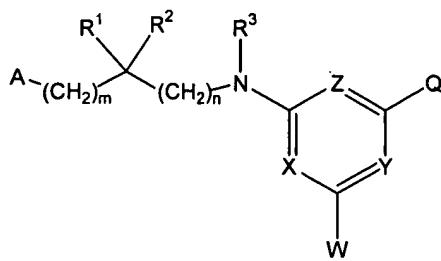
R¹⁴ is chosen from H, Cl, F, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, SO₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂ and COOH; and

R¹⁵ is chosen from H, OCH₃ and Cl.

m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-, m and n cannot both be zero.

9. (currently amended) ~~A pyrimidine according to claim 1 wherein:~~ A compound of formula

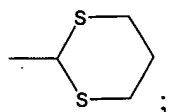


wherein:

two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

A is $R^4R^5N-C(O)-$;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, $-CH_2R^{13}$, $-CH=N-OCH_3$ and

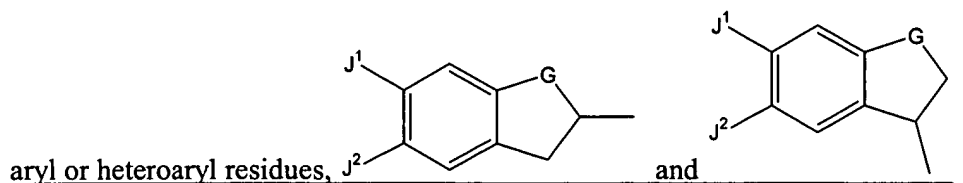


W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R^8 , C_1-C_4 -alkylaryl, $-OR^8$, $-SR^8$, $-NR^9R^{10}$ and $-NHC(O)R^{11}$, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R^8 ;

R^1 is chosen from isopropyl; n-butyl; cyclohexylmethyl; cyclopentylmethyl; naphthylmethyl; cyclohexylethyl; 2-methylpropyl; 3-methyl-1-butyl; cyclohexyl; 2,2-dimethylpropyl; benzyl; 2-thienylmethyl; 1-*t*-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinyl; 4-methoxybenzyl; 4-chlorobenzyl; 3,4-dichlorobenzyl; 2-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranyl and 1,1-dimethylethyl; and

R^2 , R^3 and R^5 are H;

R^4 is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C_1-C_4 -alkyl substituted with from one to three



aryl or heteroaryl residues, and

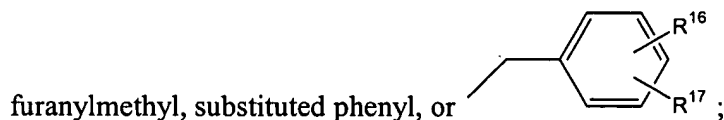
, wherein J^1 and J^2 are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO_2 and CH_3 , and G is chosen from $-CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-OCH_2-$, $-CH_2O-$, $-CH_2CH_2O-$, $-OCH_2CH_2-$, $-O-$, $-N(lower\ alkyl)-$, $-N(lower\ alkyl)CH_2-$, $-CH_2N(lower\ alkyl)-$, $-S-$, $-SO-$, $-SO_2-$, $-CH_2S-$, $-SCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO-$, $-SOCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO_2-$, and $-SO_2CH_2-$;

R^7 is aryl or C_1-C_3 -alkylaryl;

- R^8 is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;
- R^9 is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylcycloalkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkoxy)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;
- R^{10} is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, or
- R^9 and R^{10} taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO_2 or NR^{12} , said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;
- R^{11} is aryl;
- R^{12} is chosen from H, C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;
- R^{13} is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;
- m is zero or one; and
- n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is chosen from $R^7C(O)NH$ -, $R^7S(O)_2NH$ -, R^4NH -, and R^4O -, m and n cannot both be zero.

10. (original) A pyrimidine according to claim 9 wherein:

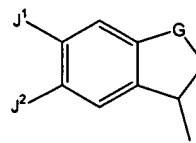
R^4 is pyridinyl, pyridinylmethyl, tetrahydronaphthalenyl, indanylmethyl,



R^{16} is chosen from H, Cl, F, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, CH₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, SO₂CH₃, SOCH₃, N(CH₃)₂, tetrazol-5-yl, CONH₂, C(=NOH)NH₂ and COOH; and

R^{17} is chosen from H, OCH₃, F and Cl.

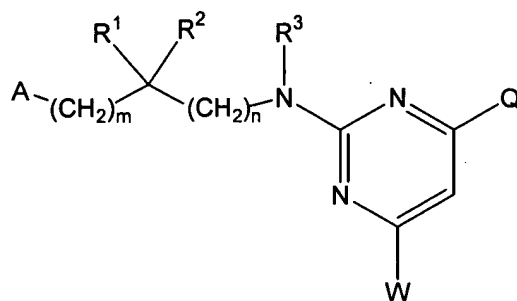
11. (original) A pyrimidine according to claim 9 wherein R^4 is



, one of

J^1 and J^2 is H and the other is H, Cl or CN and G is chosen from $-\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{OCH}_2-$, $-\text{O}-$ and $-\text{CH}_2\text{N}(\text{lower alkyl})-$.

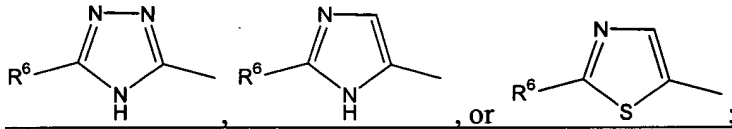
12. (currently amended) ~~A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 1, wherein Y is CH,~~
 having the formula A compound of formula



wherein:

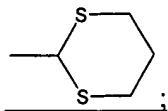
A is A¹ or A²;

A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-;



A² is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, $-\text{CH}_2\text{R}^{13}$, $-\text{CH}=\text{N}-\text{OCH}_3$ and



W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, $-\text{OR}^8$, $-\text{SR}^8$, $-\text{NR}^9\text{R}^{10}$ and $-\text{NHC(O)R}^{11}$, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R⁸;

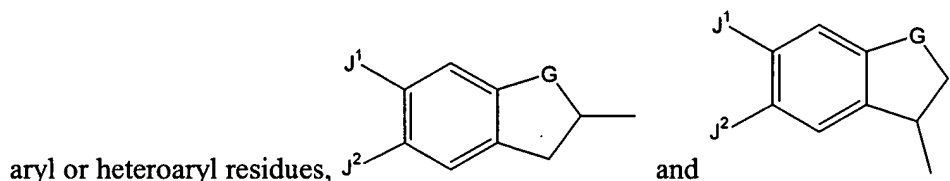
R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring

structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹².

R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to three



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CH₂-, -O-, -N(lower alkyl)-, -N(lower alkyl)CH₂-, -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;

R⁶ is aryl;

R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;

R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or

R⁹ and R¹⁰ taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO₂ or NR¹², said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;

R¹¹ is aryl;

R¹² is chosen from H, C₁-C₃-alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

R¹³ is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;

m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.

13. (previously amended) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 12 wherein Q is chosen from imidazolyl, pyrrolyl, pyridinyl, fluorophenyl and 2-thienyl.

14. (original) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 13 wherein

A is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-;

W is H, Cl, NHR⁹ or OR⁸;

R¹ is chosen from alkyl and C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl;

R², R³ and R⁵ are H;

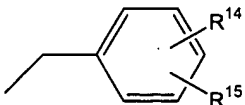
R⁴ is C₁-C₄-alkylaryl or C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁸ is C₁-C₄-alkylaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from hydrogen, alkyl, fluoroalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl; and

m and n are zero.

15. (original) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 14 wherein W is NHR⁹ and

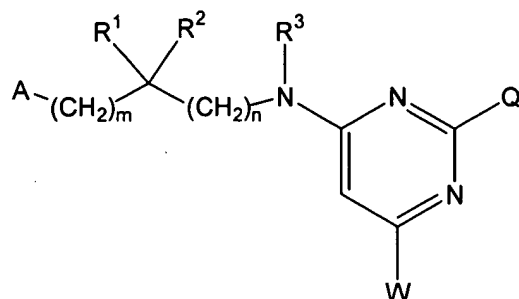
R⁹ is  wherein

R¹⁴ is chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, SO₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂ and COOH; and

R¹⁵ is chosen from H, OCH₃ and Cl.

16-17. (canceled)

18. (currently amended) ~~A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 17 wherein:~~ A compound of formula



wherein:

A is $R^4R^5N-C(O)-$;

Q is chosen from imidazolyl and pyrrolyl;

W is NHR^9 ;

R^1 is chosen from cyclohexylmethyl; 2-methylpropyl and 3-methyl-1-butyl;

R^2 , R^3 and R^5 are H; and

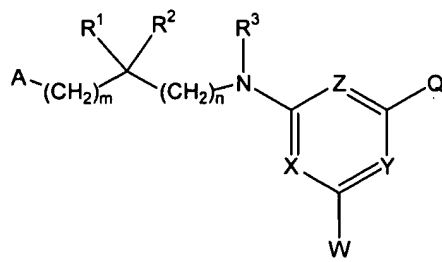
R^4 and R^9 are benzyl or substituted benzyl;

m is zero; and

n is zero.

19-25. (canceled)

26. (currently amended) ~~A compound according to claim 1 wherein~~ A compound of formula

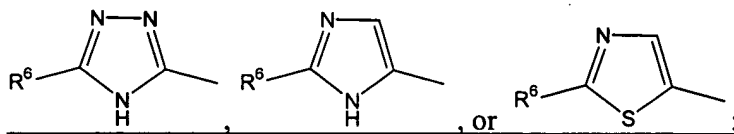


wherein:

two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

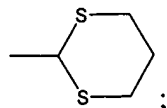
A is A^1 or A^2 ;

A^1 is $R^4R^5N-C(O)-$.



A^2 is chosen from $R^7C(O)NH-$, $R^7S(O)_2NH-$, R^4NH- , and R^4O- ;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, $-CH_2R^{13}$, $-CH=N-OCH_3$ and

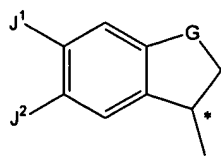


W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R^8 , C_1-C_4 -alkylaryl, $-OR^8$, $-SR^8$, $-NR^9R^{10}$ and $-NHC(O)R^{11}$, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R^8 ;

R^1 is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C_1-C_3 -alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1-C_3 -alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C_1-C_3 -alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C_1-C_3 -alkylheteroaryl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkyloxy)alkyl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkylthio)alkyl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkylthio)cycloalkyl and $(C_1-C_3$ -alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R^2 is H or C_1-C_3 -alkyl, or R^1 and R^2 taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR^{12} ;

R^3 is H or C_1-C_6 -alkyl, or, when n is zero, R^2 and R^3 taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;



R^4 is is having the R configuration at the carbon indicated with an asterisk, wherein J^1 and J^2 are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO_2 and CH_3 , and G is chosen from $-CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-OCH_2-$, $-CH_2O-$, $-CH_2CH_2O-$, $-OCH_2CH_2-$, $-O-$, $-N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-N$ (lower alkyl) CH_2- , $-CH_2N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-S-$, $-SO-$, $-SO_2-$, $-CH_2S-$, $-SCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO-$, $-SOCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO_2-$, and $-SO_2CH_2-$;

R^5 is H or C_1-C_3 -alkyl, with the proviso that both R^3 and R^5 cannot be alkyl;

R^6 is aryl;

R^7 is aryl or C_1-C_3 -alkylaryl;

R^8 is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;

R^9 is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylcycloalkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkoxy)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;

R^{10} is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, or

R^9 and R^{10} taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO_2 or NR^{12} , said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;

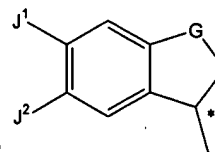
R^{11} is aryl;

R^{12} is chosen from H, C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

R^{13} is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;

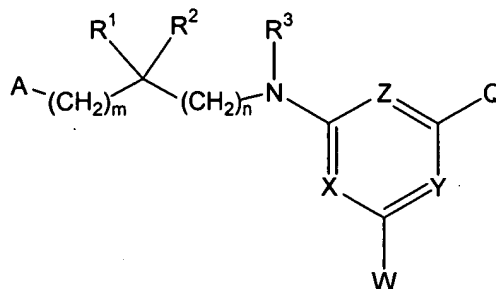
m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.



27. (original) A pyrimidine according to claim 12 wherein R^4 is the R configuration at the carbon indicated with an asterisk.

28. (currently amended) A compound of formula

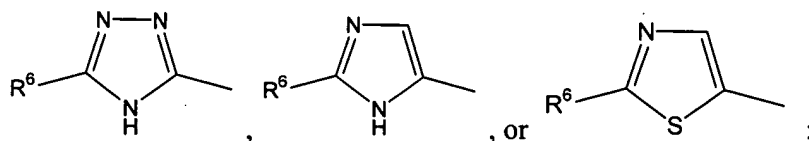


wherein:

two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

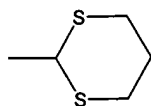
A is A^1 or A^2 ;

A^1 is $R^4R^5N-C(O)-$,



A^2 is chosen from $R^7C(O)NH-$, $R^7S(O)_2NH-$, R^4NH- , and R^4O- ;

Q is chosen from aryl, $-CH_2R^{13}$, $-CH=N-OCH_3$ and



heteroaryl other than 1-imidazolyl and 1-triazolyl;

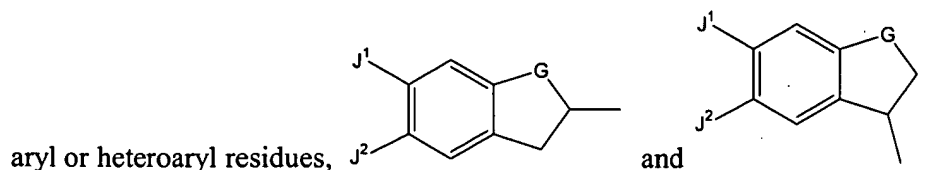
W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R^8 , C_1-C_4 -alkylaryl, $-OR^8$, $-SR^8$, $-NR^9R^{10}$ and $-NHC(O)R^{11}$, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W ~~may not be~~ is not H, Cl, F or R^8 ;

R^1 is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C_1-C_3 -alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1-C_3 -alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C_1-C_3 -alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C_1-C_3 -alkylheteroaryl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkyloxy)alkyl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkylthio)alkyl, $(C_1-C_3$ -alkylthio)cycloalkyl and $(C_1-C_3$ -alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R^2 is H or C_1-C_3 -alkyl, or R^1 and R^2 taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR^{12} ;

R^3 is H or C_1-C_6 -alkyl, or, when n is zero, R^2 and R^3 taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R^4 is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C_1-C_4 -alkyl substituted with from one to three



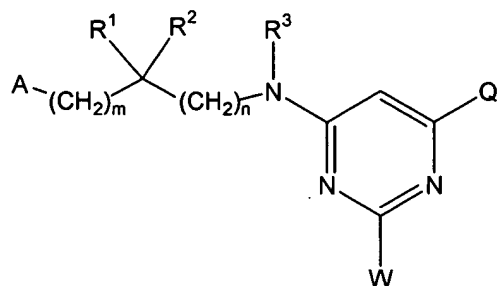
wherein J^1 and J^2 are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO_2 and CH_3 , and G is chosen from $-CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-OCH_2-$, $-CH_2O-$, $-CH_2CH_2O-$, $-OCH_2CH_2-$, $-O-$, $-N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-N$ (lower alkyl) CH_2- , -

CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

- R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;
- R⁶ is aryl;
- R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;
- R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;
- R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;
- R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or
- R⁹ and R¹⁰ taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO₂ or NR¹², said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;
- R¹¹ is aryl;
- R¹² is chosen from H, C₁-C₃-alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;
- R¹³ is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;
- m is zero or one; and
- n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.

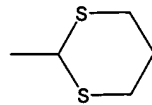
29. (canceled)

30. (previously amended) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 28, wherein Z is CH, having the formula



31. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 30 wherein Q is chosen from methylimidazolyl, pyrrolyl, methylpyrrolyl, pyrazolyl, methylpyrazolyl, furanyl, methylfuranyl, thienyl, oxazolyl, thiazolyl, pyridinyl, quinolinyl, 1-methylpyrimidin-2-onyl, phenyl, fluorophenyl, hydroxymethyl, 2-imidazolyl, tetrahydropyranyloxymethyl,

imidazolylmethyl, pyrrolylmethyl, $-\text{CH}=\text{N}-\text{OCH}_3$ and

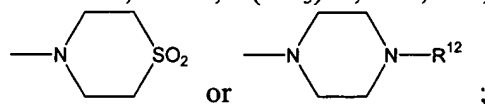


32. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 31 wherein:

Q is chosen from pyrrol-1-yl, imidazol-1-yl, furan-3-yl, 2-methylimidazol-1-yl and 4-methylimidazol-1-yl;

A is $\text{R}^4\text{R}^5\text{N}-\text{C}(\text{O})-$;

W is Cl , NHR^9 , $\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)\text{R}^9$, OR^8 , SR^8 , R^8 , morpholin-4-yl,



R^1 is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ -alkylaryl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ -alkylcycloalkyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ -alkylheterocyclyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_3$ -alkylheteroaryl ;

R^2 , R^3 and R^5 are H;

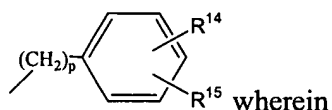
R^8 is $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ -alkylaryl

R^9 is chosen from hydrogen, alkyl, substituted alkyl, $(\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4)$ -alkoxy, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ -alkylcycloalkyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ -alkylaryl, heterocyclyl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ -alkylheteroaryl, $\text{C}_1\text{-C}_4$ -alkylheterocyclyl; and

m and n are zero.

33. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 32 wherein W is NHR^9 and

R^9 is chosen from hydrogen; methyl; ethyl; 2,2,2-trifluoroethyl; allyl; cyclopropyl; 2-cyanoethyl; propargyl; methoxy; methoxyethyl; cyclopropyl; cyclopropylmethyl; (methylthio)ethyl; 3-methoxypropyl; 3-pyridyl; 2-(3-pyridyl)ethyl; 2-(2-pyridyl)ethyl; 3-pyridylmethyl; 4-pyridylmethyl; 4-pyridylmethyl-N-oxide; 2-pyridazinylmethyl; sulfolan-3-yl; 3-tetrahydrofuranyl; 2-tetrahydrofuranylmethyl; 3-(1-imidazolyl)propyl; 1-*t*-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidyl; 1-*t*-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinylmethyl; 2-(hydroxyimino)propyl; 2-(methoxyimino)propyl; 2-oxo-1-propyl; and

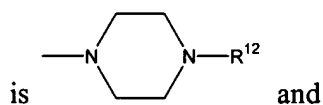


R^{14} is chosen from H, Cl, F, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, OH, SO₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂ and COOH;

R^{15} is chosen from H, OCH₃ and Cl; and

p is 1 or 2.

34. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 32 wherein W

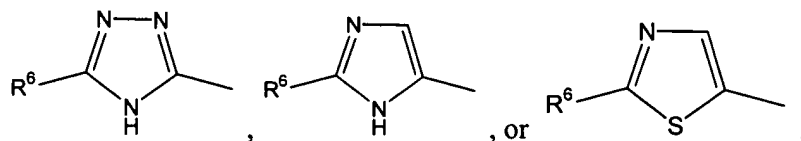


R^{12} is *t*-butoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl or phenyl.

35. (currently amended) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 28 wherein

Z is CH;

A is



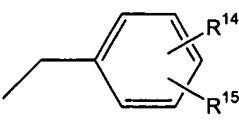
R^1 is chosen from *n*-butyl; cyclohexylmethyl; cyclopentylmethyl; 2-methylpropyl; 3-methyl-1-butyl; cyclohexyl; 2,2-dimethylpropyl; benzyl; 2-thienylmethyl; 1-

t-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinyl; 4-chlorobenzyl; 2-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranyl and 1,1-dimethylethyl;

R² and R³ are H;

Q is pyrrolyl;

W is NHR⁹; and

R⁹ is alkyl, cycloalkyl or  wherein

R¹⁴ is chosen from H, Cl, F, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, SO₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂ and COOH; and

R¹⁵ is chosen from H, OCH₃ and Cl.

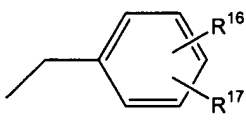
36. (currently amended) A pyrimidine according to claim 28 wherein:

A is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-;

R¹ is chosen from isopropyl; n-butyl; cyclohexylmethyl; cyclopentylmethyl; naphthylmethyl; cyclohexylethyl; 2-methylpropyl; 3-methyl-1-butyl; cyclohexyl; 2,2-dimethylpropyl; benzyl; 2-thienylmethyl; 1-*t*-butoxycarbonyl-4-piperidinyl; 4-methoxybenzyl; 4-chlorobenzyl; 3,4-dichlorobenzyl; 2-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranylmethyl; 4-pyranyl and 1,1-dimethylethyl;

R², R³ and R⁵ are H;

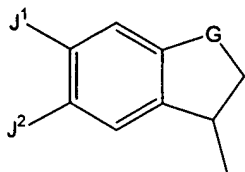
R⁴ is pyridinyl, pyridinylmethyl, indanylmethyl, furanylmethyl, tetrahydronaphthalenyl,

substituted phenyl, or ;

R¹⁶ is chosen from H, Cl, F, CN, NO₂, SO₂NH₂, CF₃, CH₃, COOCH₃, OCH₃, SO₂CH₃, N(CH₃)₂ and COOH; and

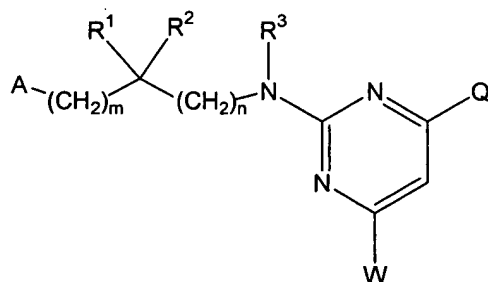
R¹⁷ is chosen from H, OCH₃, F and Cl.

37. (previously amended) A pyrimidine according to claim 28 wherein R⁴ is



38. (original) A pyrimidine according to claim 37 wherein one of J¹ and J² is H and the other is H, Cl or CN and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -O- and -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-.

39. (previously amended) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 28, wherein Y is CH, having the formula



40. (original) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 39 wherein Q is chosen from pyrrolyl, pyridinyl, fluorophenyl and 2-thienyl.

41. (original) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 40 wherein

A is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-;

W is H, Cl, NHR⁹ or OR⁸;

R¹ is chosen from alkyl and C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl;

R², R³ and R⁵ are H;

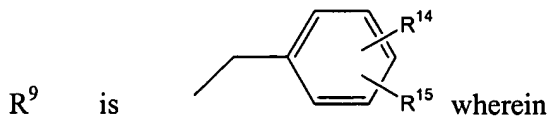
R⁴ is C₁-C₄-alkylaryl or C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁸ is C₁-C₄-alkylaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from hydrogen, alkyl, fluoroalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl; and

m and n are zero.

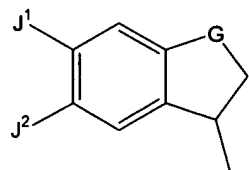
42. (original) A 2-pyrimidinamine according to claim 41 wherein W is NHR^9 and



R^{14} is chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO_2 , SO_2NH_2 , CF_3 , COOCH_3 , OCH_3 , SO_2CH_3 , $\text{N}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ and COOH ; and

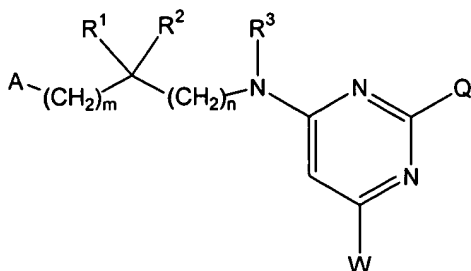
R^{15} is chosen from H, OCH_3 and Cl.

43. (original) A 2-pyrimidineamine according to claim 39 wherein R^4 is



, one of J^1 and J^2 is H and the other is H, Cl or CN and G is chosen from $-\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$, $-\text{OCH}_2-$, $-\text{O}-$ and $-\text{CH}_2\text{N}(\text{lower alkyl})-$.

44. (previously amended) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 28, wherein X is CH, having the formula



45. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 44 wherein Q is pyrrolyl and m and n are zero.

46. (original) A 4-pyrimidinamine according to claim 45 wherein:

A is $\text{R}^4\text{R}^5\text{N}-\text{C}(\text{O})-$;

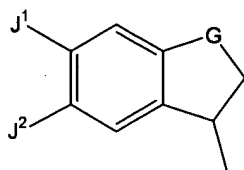
W is NHR^9 ;

R^1 is chosen from cyclohexylmethyl; 2-methylpropyl and 3-methyl-1-butyl;

R^2 , R^3 and R^5 are H; and

R⁴ and R⁹ are benzyl or substituted benzyl.

47. (original) A 4-pyrimidineamine according to claim 44 wherein R⁴ is



, one of J¹ and J² is H and the other is H, Cl or CN and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -O- and -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-.

48. (currently amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a compound according to ~~claim 1~~ any of claims 4, 9, 12, or 26.

49. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 48 additionally comprising a steroidal or nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug (NSAID).

50-51. (canceled)

52. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 48 additionally comprising a cyclooxygenase inhibitor.

53. (canceled)

54. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 48 additionally comprising a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor.

55. (canceled)

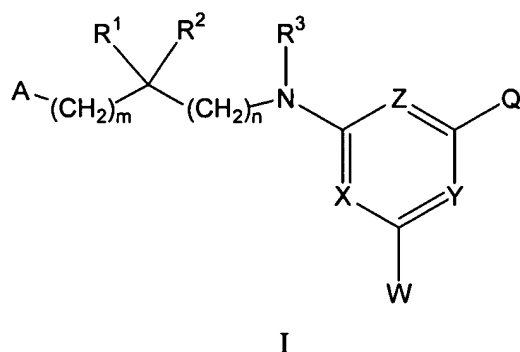
56. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 48 additionally comprising a selective cyclooxygenase-1 inhibitor.

57-58. (canceled)

59. (original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier and a compound according to claim 28.
60. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 59 additionally comprising a steroidal or nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug (NSAID).
61. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 59 additionally comprising a nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug (NSAID).
62. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 61 wherein said NSAID is chosen from arylpropionic acids, arylacetic acids, arylbutyric acids, fenamic acids, arylcarboxylic acids, pyrazoles, pyrazolones, salicylic acids; and oxicams.
63. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 59 additionally comprising a cyclooxygenase inhibitor.
64. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 63 wherein said cyclooxygenase inhibitor is ibuprofen or a salicylic acid derivative.
65. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 59 additionally comprising a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor.
66. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 65 wherein said selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor is rofecoxib or celecoxib.
67. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 59 additionally comprising a selective cyclooxygenase-1 inhibitor.
68. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 59 additionally comprising a steroidal antiinflammatory drug.

69. (original) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 68 wherein said steroidal antiinflammatory drug is chosen from finasteride, beclomethasone and hydrocortisone.

70. (currently amended) A method of treating vasculopathy ~~a condition resulting from inappropriate bradykinin receptor activity~~ comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I

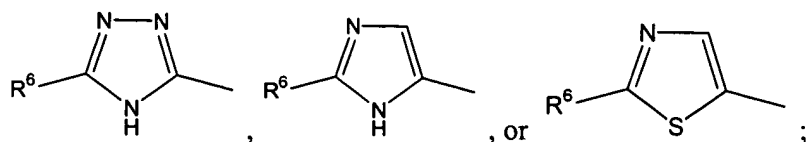


wherein:

two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

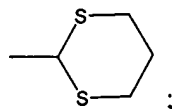
A is A¹ or A²;

A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-,



A² is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, -CH₂R¹³, -CH=N-OCH₃ and



W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, -OR⁸, -SR⁸, -NR⁹R¹⁰ and -NHC(O)R¹¹, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not ~~may not be~~ H, Cl, F or R⁸;

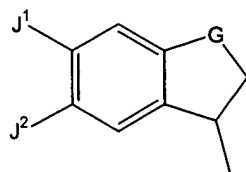
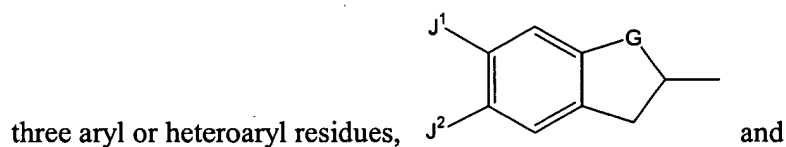
R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl,

C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹²;

R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H,

F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CH₂-, -O-, -N(lower alkyl)-, -N(lower alkyl)CH₂-, -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;

R⁶ is aryl;

R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;

R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or

R⁹ and R¹⁰ taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally

containing O, S, SO, SO₂ or NR¹², said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;

R¹¹ is aryl;

R¹² is chosen from H, C₁-C₃-alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

R¹³ is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;

m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.

71. (canceled)

72. (currently amended) The method according to claim 70 wherein said ~~condition resulting from inappropriate bradykinin receptor activity~~ vasculopathy is diabetic vasculopathy, ~~post-capillary resistance or diabetic symptoms associated with insulinitis.~~

73. (currently amended) The method according to claim 100 ~~72~~ wherein said diabetic symptoms associated with insulinitis comprise hyperglycemia, diuresis, proteinuria and increased nitrile and kallikrein urinary excretion.

74-75. (canceled)

76. (currently amended) The method according to claim 99 ~~75~~ wherein said pain is chronic pain, pain associated with inflammation or dental pain.

77. (currently amended) The method of treating pain or hyperalgesia according to claim 99 ~~75~~ additionally comprising administering a steroidal or nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drug (NSAID).

78. (original) The method of treating pain or hyperalgesia according to claim 77 wherein an NSAID is administered.

79. (currently amended) The method of treating pain or hyperalgesia according to claim ~~99~~ 75 additionally comprising administering a cyclooxygenase inhibitor.

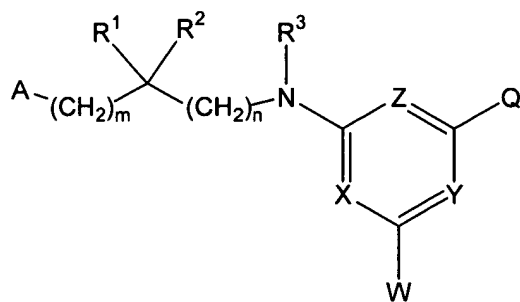
80. (original) The method of treating pain or hyperalgesia according to claim 79 wherein said cyclooxygenase inhibitor is a selective cyclooxygenase-2 inhibitor.

81. (original) The method of treating pain or hyperalgesia according to claim 79 wherein said cyclooxygenase inhibitor is a selective cyclooxygenase-1 inhibitor.

82-94. (canceled)

95. (new) The method according to claim 70 wherein said vasculopathy is hypertensive vasculopathy.

96. (new) A method of treating asthma comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I



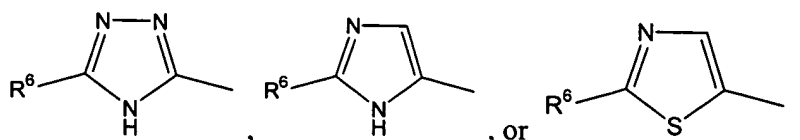
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wherein:

two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

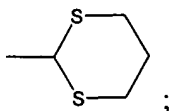
A is A¹ or A²;

A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-,



A^2 is chosen from $R^7C(O)NH-$, $R^7S(O)_2NH-$, R^4NH- , and R^4O- ;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, $-CH_2R^{13}$, $-CH=N-OCH_3$ and



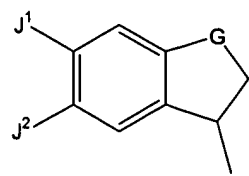
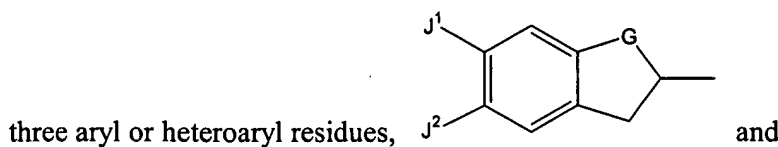
W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R^8 , C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, $-OR^8$, $-SR^8$, $-NR^9R^{10}$ and $-NHC(O)R^{11}$, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R^8 ;

R^1 is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C_1 - C_3 -alkylheteroaryl, $(C_1$ - C_3 -alkyloxy)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_3 -alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, $(C_1$ - C_3 -alkylthio)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_3 -alkylthio)cycloalkyl and $(C_1$ - C_3 -alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R^2 is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, or R^1 and R^2 taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR^{12} ;

R^3 is H or C_1 - C_6 -alkyl, or, when n is zero, R^2 and R^3 taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R^4 is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkyl substituted with from one to



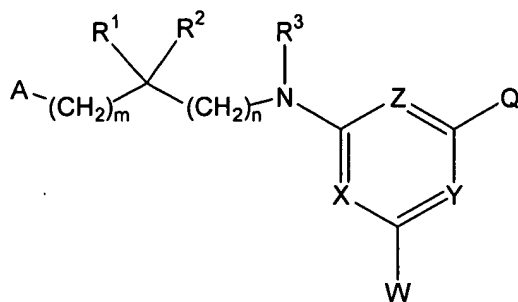
, wherein J^1 and J^2 are independently chosen from H,

F, Cl, CN, NO_2 and CH_3 , and G is chosen from $-CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-OCH_2-$, $-CH_2O-$, $-CH_2CH_2O-$, $-OCH_2CH_2-$, $-O-$, $-N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-N$ (lower alkyl) CH_2- , $-CH_2N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-S-$, $-SO-$, $-SO_2-$, $-CH_2S-$, $-SCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO-$, $-SOCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO_2-$, and $-SO_2CH_2-$;

R^5 is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, with the proviso that both R^3 and R^5 cannot be alkyl;

- R^6 is aryl;
 R^7 is aryl or C_1 - C_3 -alkylaryl;
 R^8 is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;
 R^9 is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylcycloalkyl, (C_1 - C_4 -alkoxy)alkyl, (C_1 - C_4 -alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C_1 - C_4 -alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;
 R^{10} is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, or
 R^9 and R^{10} taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO_2 or NR^{12} , said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;
 R^{11} is aryl;
 R^{12} is chosen from H, C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;
 R^{13} is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;
m is zero or one; and
n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A^2 , m and n cannot both be zero.

97. (new) A method of treating inflammation comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I



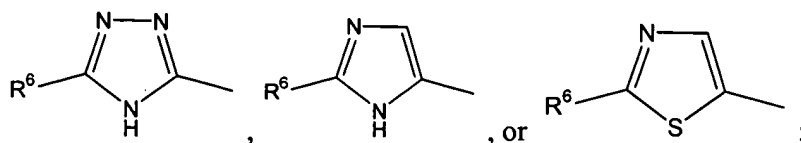
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wherein:

two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

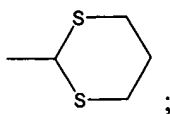
A is A^1 or A^2 ;

A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-,



A² is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, -CH₂R¹³, -CH=N-OCH₃ and



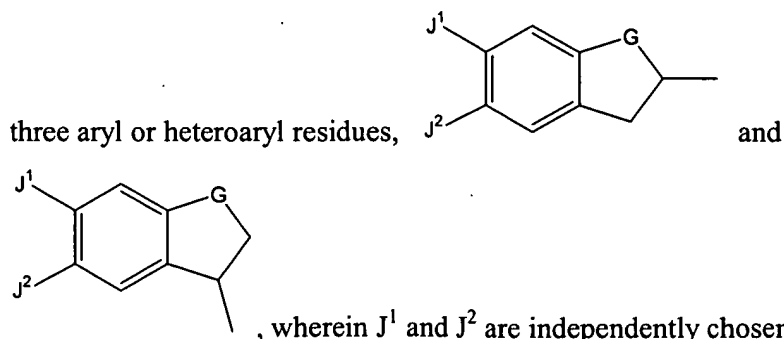
W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, -OR⁸, -SR⁸, -NR⁹R¹⁰ and -NHC(O)R¹¹, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R⁸;

R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹²;

R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-,

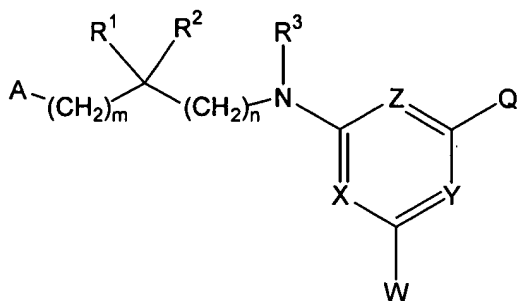
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- R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;
- R⁶ is aryl;
- R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;
- R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;
- R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;
- R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or
- R⁹ and R¹⁰ taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO₂ or NR¹², said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;
- R¹¹ is aryl;
- R¹² is chosen from H, C₁-C₃-alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;
- R¹³ is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;
- m is zero or one; and
- n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.

98. (new) The method of claim 97 wherein said inflammation is associated with edema, rhinitis, septic shock, multiple sclerosis, atherosclerosis, Alzheimer's disease, or closed head trauma.

99. (new) A method of treating pain or hyperalgesia comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of

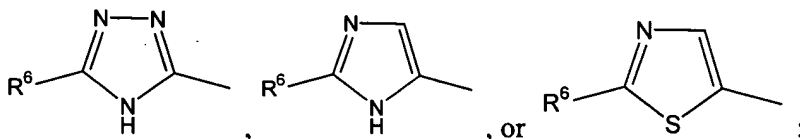
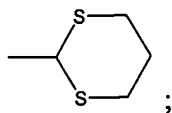
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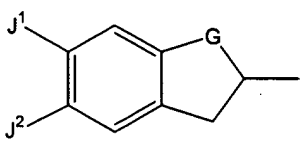
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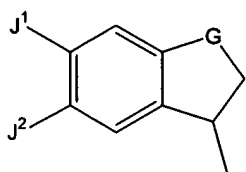
two of X, Y and Z are N and the other of X, Y and Z is CH;

A is A¹ or A²;A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-,A² is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-;Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, -CH₂R¹³, -CH=N-OCH₃ andW is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, -OR⁸, -SR⁸, -NR⁹R¹⁰ and -NHC(O)R¹¹, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R⁸;R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹²;R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form

a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R^4 is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkyl substituted with from one to

three aryl or heteroaryl residues,  and



, wherein J^1 and J^2 are independently chosen from H,

F, Cl, CN, NO_2 and CH_3 , and G is chosen from $-CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2-$, $-CH_2CH_2CH_2-$, $-OCH_2-$, $-CH_2O-$, $-CH_2CH_2O-$, $-OCH_2CH_2-$, $-O-$, $-N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-N$ (lower alkyl) CH_2- , $-CH_2N$ (lower alkyl)-, $-S-$, $-SO-$, $-SO_2-$, $-CH_2S-$, $-SCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO-$, $-SOCH_2-$, $-CH_2SO_2-$, and $-SO_2CH_2-$;

R^5 is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, with the proviso that both R^3 and R^5 cannot be alkyl;

R^6 is aryl;

R^7 is aryl or C_1 - C_3 -alkylaryl;

R^8 is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;

R^9 is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylcycloalkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkoxy)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, $(C_1$ - C_4 -alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylheterocyclyl, C_1 - C_4 -alkylaryl, and C_1 - C_4 -alkylheteroaryl;

R^{10} is H or C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, or

R^9 and R^{10} taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO_2 or NR^{12} , said ring optionally substituted with $-OH$, $-CN$, $-COOH$ or $-COOCH_3$;

R^{11} is aryl;

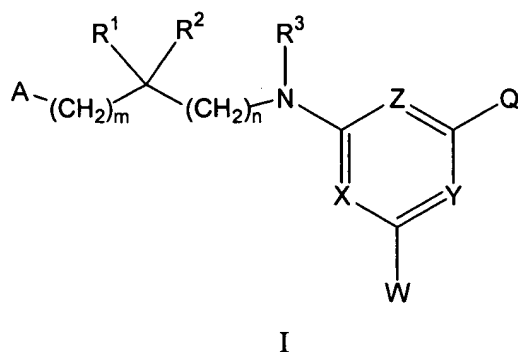
R^{12} is chosen from H, C_1 - C_3 -alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

R^{13} is chosen from $-OH$, $-OTHP$, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;

m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.

100. (new) A method of treating post-capillary resistance or diabetic symptoms associated with insulinitis comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I

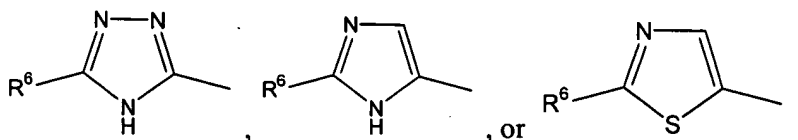


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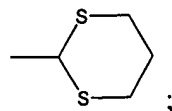
A is A¹ or A²;

A¹ is R⁴R⁵N-C(O)-,



A² is chosen from R⁷C(O)NH-, R⁷S(O)₂NH-, R⁴NH-, and R⁴O-;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, -CH₂R¹³, -CH=N-OCH₃ and



W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, -OR⁸, -SR⁸, -NR⁹R¹⁰ and -NHC(O)R¹¹, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R⁸;

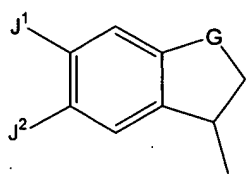
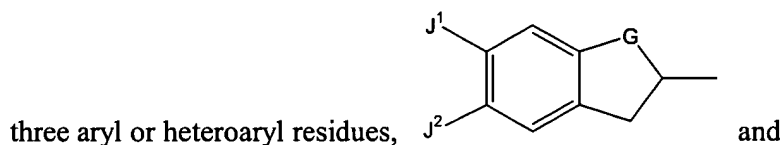
R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl,

C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹²;

R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CH₂-, -O-, -N(lower alkyl)-, -N(lower alkyl)CH₂-, -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;

R⁶ is aryl;

R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;

R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or

R^9 and R^{10} taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO_2 or NR^{12} , said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;

R^{11} is aryl;

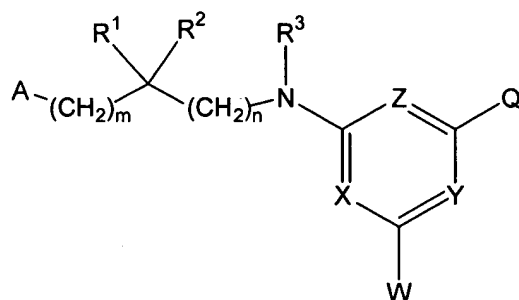
R^{12} is chosen from H, C₁-C₃-alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

R^{13} is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;

m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.

101. (new) A method of treating edema comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula I



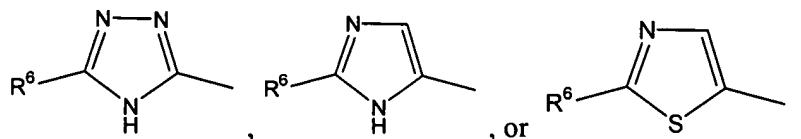
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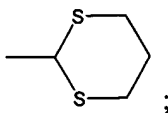
A is A¹ or A²;

A¹ is $R^4R^5N-C(O)-$,



A² is chosen from $R^7C(O)NH-$, $R^7S(O)_2NH-$, R^4NH- , and R^4O- ;

Q is chosen from heteroaryl, aryl, -CH₂R¹³, -CH=N-OCH₃ and



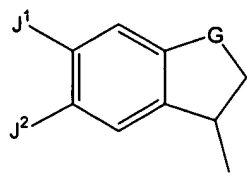
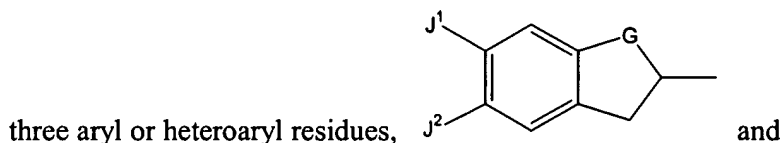
W is chosen from H, Cl, F, R⁸, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, -OR⁸, -SR⁸, -NR⁹R¹⁰ and -NHC(O)R¹¹, with the proviso that when Q is imidazolyl, W is not H, Cl, F or R⁸;

R¹ is chosen from alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, C₁-C₃-alkylcycloalkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₃-alkylheterocyclyl, aryl, C₁-C₃-alkylaryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₃-alkylheteroaryl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkyloxy)cycloalkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)alkyl, (C₁-C₃-alkylthio)cycloalkyl and (C₁-C₃-alkylsulfonyl)alkyl;

R² is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or R¹ and R² taken together form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S or NR¹²;

R³ is H or C₁-C₆-alkyl, or, when n is zero, R² and R³ taken together may form a 6-membered ring, which may be fused to a six-membered saturated or aromatic carbocycle;

R⁴ is chosen from H, aryl, heteroaryl, C₁-C₄-alkyl substituted with from one to



, wherein J¹ and J² are independently chosen from H, F, Cl, CN, NO₂ and CH₃, and G is chosen from -CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂-, -CH₂CH₂CH₂-, -OCH₂-, -CH₂O-, -CH₂CH₂O-, -OCH₂CH₂-, -O-, -N(lower alkyl)-, -N(lower alkyl)CH₂-, -CH₂N(lower alkyl)-, -S-, -SO-, -SO₂-, -CH₂S-, -SCH₂-, -CH₂SO-, -SOCH₂-, -CH₂SO₂-, and -SO₂CH₂-;

R⁵ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, with the proviso that both R³ and R⁵ cannot be alkyl;

R⁶ is aryl;

R⁷ is aryl or C₁-C₃-alkylaryl;

R⁸ is chosen from alkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, substituted alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, C₁-

C₄-alkylheterocyclyl and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R⁹ is chosen from H, alkyl, alkenyl, substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, aryl, alkoxy, heteroaryl, fluoroalkyl, C₁-C₄-alkylcycloalkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxy)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkoxycarbonyl)alkyl, (C₁-C₄-alkylthio)alkyl, heterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylheterocyclyl, C₁-C₄-alkylaryl, and C₁-C₄-alkylheteroaryl;

R¹⁰ is H or C₁-C₃-alkyl, or

R⁹ and R¹⁰ taken together may form a 5- to 7-membered ring structure optionally containing O, S, SO, SO₂ or NR¹², said ring optionally substituted with -OH, -CN, -COOH or -COOCH₃;

R¹¹ is aryl;

R¹² is chosen from H, C₁-C₃-alkyl, alkoxycarbonyl, methoxyacetyl and aryl;

R¹³ is chosen from -OH, -OTHP, 1-imidazolyl, and 1-pyrrolyl;

m is zero or one; and

n is zero or one, with the proviso that when A is A², m and n cannot both be zero.